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Case 36100 - Paul R. Neuhausser

1. As the first step in answering the requirements of EE/G, we contacted the Probate Court of Hamilton County, Cincinnati, and examined the last will and testament of Neuhausser, and the public records resulting from the probate of that will. There is no indication in the records of any transfer of funds from Magdelein Neuhausser to Ingeborg Felfe. There is an indication that the loan of \$5,000 to Otto and Charlotte Hoffmann was repaid. The loan was made subject to an interest rate of 10%. There is no further identification of Otto and Charlotte Hoffmann, but a check of the Cincinnati phone directory indicates that an Otto Hoffmann lives in North College Hill in reasonably close proximity to the Neuhausser residence. He may or may not be the same individual.

2. Sources at the local office of the Immigration & Naturalization Service advise us that they have no record on Paul R. Neuhausser or his wife, Magdelein. This indicates that naturalization procedures probably occurred elsewhere in the US on Paul Neuhausser, and may have also occurred elsewhere on his wife if she was not born in the US.

3. The following information obtained from the Probate records may be of value to the requestor:

a. Paul Richard Neuhausser was born in 1891; no more specific date nor place of birth is given. His profession was watch-maker and he died on 19 August, 1957, of a heart attack.

b. His last will and testament was presented to the Probate Court of Hamilton County on 28 August, 1957, and admitted to Probate on 7 September, 1957, identified as Estate No. 210836. The last will and testament was a simple, standard document indicating that:

- (1) all just debts and expenses were to be paid;
- (2) the entire balance of the estate was to go to Mrs. Neuhausser;
- (3) Mrs. Neuhausser was to be the executrix.

The will was drawn 10 October 1952, and signed by Joseph A. Rusche, RR 15, Amberley Village, Cincinnati 36, and Robert O. Ludeke, 3216 Bishop St., Cincinnati, as witnesses. Following the presentation of the will to the Probate Court, James B. Swing and Richard A. Morris attested on 31 August 1957 to the signature of Ludeke, since Ludeke was then deceased.

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c. A preliminary check of the estate indicated a tentative balance of approximately \$40,000. Subsequently, on 27 January 1958, the gross value of the estate was appraised at \$41,311.32. Costs of administration were given as \$8,820.05, and the actual market value of the estate was certified at \$32,491.27. The estate consisted of the following:

(1) Real Estate

Lot 210 in Venice Gardens Subdivision, Venice Township, Butler County, Ohio

Lot #6 of Homestead Subdivision, Block E, North College Hill, Hamilton County, Ohio. This is undoubtedly the Neuhausser residence.

(2) Stocks and Bonds

24 shares Atlas Corporation, Common	per	\$1.00
58 shares General Dynamics, Common	"	3.00
58 shares General Dynamics, Common	"	3.00
58 shares General Dynamics, Common	"	1.00
100 shares Greyhound Corporation, Common	"	3.00
100 shares Greyhound Corporation, Common	"	3.00

One \$500 US Treasury Bond, 2 1/4% 1956, due 9/15/59, dated 2/1/44.

(3) Joint and Survivorship Property

Central Trust Company, Savings Account	\$482.81
Central Trust Company, Certificate of Deposit	5,090.00
Burnet Woods Bldg. & Savings Co., Acct. 4127	5,014.50
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Victoria Savings & Loan, Acct. 3068	3,389.18

All of the above accounts were in the names of Paul R. or Magdalein Neuhausser. As a consequence, one-half of each account was allotted to the widow without taxation. The balance was taxed in the settlement of the estate.

(4) A checking account in the Provident Savings Bank & Trust Company of \$533.40.

The final accounting of the estate shows, under cash receipts, the receipt on 11 November 1957 of a promissory note dated 2/27/57 in the amount of \$5,000 with interest at 10% from Otto and Charlotte Hoffmann. The final accounting also shows disbursements in the amount of \$500, \$2,000, and \$3,000 to the widow on 16 January 1958. Probate Court officials explained that these amounts were disbursed under various laws of the State of Ohio allowing certain tax free disbursements prior to final probate and taxation.

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d. The final settlement of the estate shows total assets as follows:

\$22,058.39	in personalty
<u>8,245.00</u>	in realty

30,303.39 Total

From this sum, deductions of \$8,820.05 were allowed, leaving an amount subject to taxation of \$21,483.34. Other taxable property of \$11,007.93 brought the total amount subject to tax of \$32,491.27.

4. We are not certain that the above information is a contribution to the needs of EE/G. However, we submit it as an interim report and seek your guidance on additional action which we might take. Having identified the banks of probable interest, it occurs to us that it may be more seemly for Security Division to follow up to obtain the details of recent transactions involving those accounts. We do not have cleared contacts at any of the banking institutions mentioned. We have not checked local FBI contacts on the various personalities of interest but can do so if it is desired that we continue action on this case. One additional lead of possible interest might be Mrs. Neuhauser's attorney, David H. Peterson, 1649 Larch Ave., Cincinnati 24, Ohio, who handled all details of the probate action.

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